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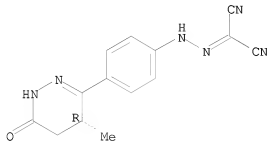
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L4 ANSWER 1 OF 29 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2009 ACS ON STN  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2006:891335 CAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 145:263302  
TITLE: Methods of cardioprotection using dichloroacetate in  
combination with an inotrope  
INVENTOR(S): Lopaschuk, Gary D.; Collins-Nakai, Ruth  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): University of Alberta, Can.  
SOURCE: U.S. Pat. Appl. Publ., 36 pp., Cont.-in-part of U.S.  
Ser. No. 13,666.  
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 US 20050282896 A1 20051222 US 2004-13666 20041215  
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 KZ, LC, LK, LR, LS, LT, LU, LV, LY, MA, MD, MG, MK, MN, MW, MX,  
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PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.: US 2002-268069 A1 20021007  
 US 2004-778791 A2 20040213  
 US 2004-13666 A2 20041215  
 US 2005-229101 A 20050916

AB The invention provides methods for maintaining or improving cardiac function after a cardiac function disturbing event by the use of cardioprotective dichloroacetate (DCA) and a inotropic drug. The invention also provides pharmaceutical compns. comprising the combination of DCA and inotropic drug, pharmaceutically acceptable carriers and optional other therapeutic agents. Also provided are the dosage protocols for the DCA and inotropic drug combination.

L4 ANSWER 2 OF 29 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2009 ACS on STN

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2004:589420 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 141:82329

TITLE: levosimendan and active metabolite for treatment of renal failure in mammals

INVENTOR(S): Kivikko, Matti; Haikala, Heimo

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Orion Corporation, Finland

SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 13 pp.

CODEN: PIXXD2

DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent

LANGUAGE: English

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 US 20060166994 A1 20060727 US 2006-541394 20060329

PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.: FI 2003-15 A 20030103  
 WO 2004-FI2 W 20040102

AB Levosimendan or its active metabolite are useful in reducing mortality in mammals suffering from renal failure.

REFERENCE COUNT: 1 THERE ARE 1 CITED REFERENCES AVAILABLE FOR THIS RECORD. ALL CITATIONS AVAILABLE IN THE RE FORMAT

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2005065095 MEDLINE  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: PubMed ID: 15693696  
 TITLE: Levosimendan in daily intensive care practice--the experience of 15 centers. Background, methods and organization of the PORTLAND study.

AUTHOR: Cardoso J Silva; Ferreira Jorge; de Sa Edwiges Prazeres; de Campos J Martins; Fonseca Candida; Lousada Nuno; Moreira J Ilidio; Rabacal Carlos; Damasceno Albertino; Seabra-Gomes Ricardo; Ferreira Rafael; Abreu e Lima Cassianosilvacardoso30@hotmail.com

SOURCE: Revista portuguesa de cardiologia : orgao oficial da Sociedade Portuguesa de Cardiologia = Portuguese journal of cardiology : an official journal of the Portuguese Society of Cardiology, (2004 Nov) Vol. 23, No. 11, pp. 1431-43.  
 Journal code: 8710716. ISSN: 0870-2551.

PUB. COUNTRY: Portugal  
 DOCUMENT TYPE: (CLINICAL TRIAL)  
 Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)  
 (MULTICENTER STUDY)

LANGUAGE: English; Portuguese  
 FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals  
 ENTRY MONTH: 200503  
 ENTRY DATE: Entered STN: 8 Feb 2005  
 Last Updated on STN: 18 Mar 2005  
 Entered Medline: 17 Mar 2005

AB INTRODUCTION: The LIDO and RUSSLAN trials showed that levosimendan was well tolerated and had a stronger hemodynamic effect than dobutamine and a positive impact on prognosis. There are, however, few data regarding its effectiveness and safety when used in an everyday clinical setting. OBJECTIVE: To test the hypothesis that in day-to-day practice conditions levosimendan is both effective and safe for the treatment of decompensated heart failure (HF). This primary combined endpoint of effectiveness and safety was evaluated at 24 hours and 5 days after the beginning of the treatment. DESIGN: Prospective, multicenter, nonrandomized clinical trial with evaluations at baseline, 24 hours, 5 days, and 3 and 6 months. Follow-up for 6 months. SETTING: The intensive care units of 15 cardiology or internal medicine departments. PATIENTS: 129 consecutive patients requiring inotropes due to decompensated systolic HF despite maximally tolerated oral therapy. Intervention: 24-hour infusion of levosimendan via a central or

peripheral vein. MEASUREMENTS AND EVALUATION OF RESULTS: 1. Monitoring: Continuous ECG monitoring, non-invasive blood pressure, urinary output, oximetry. Invasive monitoring was not required. 2. Follow-up. Baseline evaluation: history, physical examination, ECG, 2D echocardiogram, hemogram, ionogram, liver and kidney function. 24-hour and 5-day evaluations: symptoms, physical examination, recording of medical therapy and previous 24-hour urinary output, ECG, hemogram, ionogram, liver and kidney function, and evaluation of arrhythmic episodes and heart rate and blood pressure trends in previous 24 hours. 3- and 6-month evaluations: number of hospital admissions and length of hospital stay due to HF, and mortality. 3. Evaluation of primary endpoint. EFFECTIVENESS: assessed by a clinical score including 2 subjective parameters (1. NYHA functional class, 2. patient self-evaluation symptom class) and 6 objective parameters (3. body weight, 4. pulmonary congestion, 5. previous 24-hour diuresis, 6. serum creatinine, 7. oral HF medication, 8. intravenous HF medication). Definition of clinical effectiveness: improvement in  $>$  or  $=$  1 subjective parameters plus improvement in  $>$  or  $=$  1 objective parameters, with all other parameters unchanged. Safety: The therapy was judged safe in the absence of any serious adverse event with a probable or undetermined causal relationship with levosimendan. Primary endpoint evaluation: Patients reached the primary endpoint when levosimendan was both effective and safe according to the above definitions.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2004346409 EMBASE  
 TITLE: Clinical trials update from the European Society of Cardiology Heart Failure meeting: SHAPE, BRING-UP 2 VAS, COLA II, FOSIDIAL, BETACAR, CASINO and meta-analysis of cardiac resynchronisation therapy.  
 AUTHOR: Coletta, Alison P. (correspondence); Cleland, John G.F.; Clark, Andrew L.  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Academic Cardiology, University of Hull, Castle Hill Hosp., Cottingham, H., Kingston-upon-Hull, United Kingdom. a.p.coletta@hull.ac.uk  
 AUTHOR: Freemantle, Nick  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Dept. of Prim. Care and Gen. Pract., University of Birmingham, Edgbaston, B15 2TT, Birmingham, United Kingdom.  
 SOURCE: European Journal of Heart Failure, (Aug 2004) Vol. 6, No. 5, pp. 673-676.  
 Refs: 6  
 ISSN: 1388-9842 CODEN: EJHFFS  
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 038 Adverse Reactions Titles  
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 LANGUAGE: English  
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 ENTRY DATE: Entered STN: 2 Sep 2004  
 Last Updated on STN: 2 Sep 2004

AB This article continues a series of reports on recent research developments in the field of heart failure. Key presentations made at the European Society of Cardiology Heart Failure Update meeting, held in Wroclaw, Poland, in June 2004 are reported. The SHAPE study identified a need to educate general practitioners (GPs) in order to optimise treatment of heart failure in primary care. BRING-UP 2 VAS showed that cognitive impairment is very common in elderly heart failure patients and that these patients require specialist care.

Carvedilol was shown to be well tolerated and effective in elderly heart failure patients in the observational COLA II study. In the POSIDIAL study of patients with end-stage renal disease, fosinopril showed no benefit over placebo in reducing the incidence of cardiovascular events in these high-risk patients. The BETACAR study showed that carvedilol and metoprolol produced a similar effect on left ventricular ejection fraction (+13.1% and +12.0%, respectively). Revised mortality data for the CASINO study and a meta-analysis of the effects of cardiac resynchronisation therapy on mortality in the light of the recently published COMPANION study are reported. .COPYRGIT. 2004 European Society of Cardiology. Published by Elsevier B.V. All rights reserved.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2004263690 EMBASE

TITLE: [Diagnostic and therapeutic progress: Venous thromboembolism, heart failure and radio contrast agents].  
Progres diagnostiques et therapeutiques: Maladie veineuse thrombo-embolique, insuffisance cardiaque, produits de contraste.

AUTHOR: Genest, Marc (correspondence)

CORPORATE SOURCE: Service de Cardiologie, CH Provins, BP 212, 77488 Provins Cedex, France. marc.genest@wanadoo.fr

AUTHOR: Pochmalicki, Gilbert

SOURCE: Presse Medicale, (22 May 2004) Vol. 33, No. 9 I, pp. 623-629.

Refs: 28

ISSN: 0755-4982 CODEN: PRMEEM

COUNTRY: France

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; General Review; (Review)

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LANGUAGE: French

SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English; French

ENTRY DATE: Entered STN: 15 Jul 2004

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AB Modalities for the diagnosis of venous thromboembolism Currently rely on the confrontation of the initial clinical data and the results of D-dimer measurements, a venous Doppler, although reliable, is not a first-line exploration. Regarding treatment Indications for thrombolysis are currently limited to massive pulmonary oedema with shock. Alteplase added to heparin improves the progression of severe embolism; it spares the patients from heavy interventions of resuscitation but the mortality remains the same. Concerning anticoagulant treatments, prolonged antivitamin K at classical doses is more effective than low doses and for limited duration if phlebitis is an idiopathic one. For heart failure with preserved ejection fraction Treatment of these heart failures, formerly know as 'diastolic' is similar to that of the acute phase of systolic heart failure. However, care should be taken with vasodilators. Concerning heart failure in general The brain natriuretic peptide (BNP) represents a remarkable progress for the aetiological diagnosis of dyspnoea (inferior to 80 pg/ml in the case of pulmonary origin, superior to 300 pg/ml in the case of cardiac origin or severe pulmonary embolism). Regarding treatment, for acute heart failure, it is still the association of nitrates and diuretics, with oxygen therapy and eventually inotropics. Beta-blockers, which have revolutionized the treatment of chronic heart failure, must be maintained whenever possible in the case of the onset of acute pulmonary oedema. Multisite pacing is increasingly used in refractory chronic heart



failure. Implantable defibrillation has become common practice. Non-invasive ventilation (Bi or C-PAP) is interesting in acute cardiogenic pulmonary oedema. The preventive role of N acetyl-cysteine N acetyl cysteine reduces the incidence of nephropathies induced by the radio contrast products in patients with chronic kidney failure. Combined with hydration, it must be proposed the day before and on the day of the procedure in any patient with diabetes or kidney failure.

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2005:345753 BIOSIS  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200510136493  
 TITLE: A new method for the assessment of myocardial viability and prediction of the result of revascularization.  
 AUTHOR(S): Pavlakis, G. [Reprint Author]; Bouki, K.; Komninos, K.; Kostopoulos, K.; Foulidis, V.; Kakavas, T.; Xydas, T.; Papasteriadis, E.  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Gen Hosp Nikea, Cardiol Dept 1, Piraeus, Greece  
 SOURCE: European Heart Journal, (AUG-SEP 2004) Vol. 25, No. Suppl. S, pp. 553-554.  
 Meeting Info.: ESC Congress 2004. Munich, GERMANY. August 28 -September 01, 2004. ESC.  
 CODEN: EHJODF. ISSN: 0195-668X.  
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Conference; (Meeting)  
 Conference; (Meeting Poster)  
 LANGUAGE: English  
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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2004133436 EMBASE  
 TITLE: [What is the relevance of anemia treatment among the novel therapies of heart failure?].  
 Que lugar ocupa el tratamiento de la anemia en la insuficiencia cardiaca?.  
 AUTHOR: Carnevali Ruiz, Daniel, Dr. (correspondence)  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Area de Medicina Interna, Clinica Moncloa (ASISA), Avda. de Valladolid, 83, 28008 Madrid, Spain.  
 SOURCE: Medicina Clinica, (7 Feb 2004) Vol. 122, No. 4, pp. 136-137.  
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 037 Drug Literature Index  
 006 Internal Medicine  
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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2006173222 MEDLINE  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: PubMed ID: 16566697  
 TITLE: Levosimendan following coronary artery bypass grafting in a patient with end-stage renal failure: a case report.  
 AUTHOR: Raftopoulos S C  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Intensive Care Medicine, Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital, Nedlands, Western Australia..  
 spiro@graduate.uwa.edu.au

SOURCE: Critical care and resuscitation : journal of the Australasian Academy of Critical Care Medicine, (2004 Jun) Vol. 6, No. 2, pp. 109-12.  
Journal code: 100888170. ISSN: 1441-2772.

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AB Levosimendan is a novel inotropic agent indicated for patients with decompensated heart failure. It has well recognised mechanisms of action. Its use however, has not been described in patients with end-stage renal failure. This report describes the use of levosimendan in a post-operative coronary artery bypass graft patient with decompensated heart failure and end-stage renal failure previously receiving dialysis six days per week. Levosimendan proved to be a safe and useful agent when used as a continuous intravenous infusion initially at 0.05 microg/kg/min then increasing up to 0.2 microg/kg/min for a total of 42 hours.

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AB A review. Protection of renal function and prevention of acute renal failure (ARF) are important goals of resuscitation in critically ill patients. Beyond fluid resuscitation and avoidance of nephrotoxins, little is known about how such prevention can be achieved. Vasoactive drugs are often administered to improve either cardiac output or mean arterial pressure in the hope that renal blood flow will also be improved and, thereby, renal protection achieved. Some of these drugs (especially low-dose dopamine) have even been proposed to have a specific beneficial effect on renal blood flow. However, when all studies dealing with vasoactive drugs and their effects on the kidney are reviewed, it is clear that none were demonstrated to achieve clin. important benefits in terms of renal protection. It is also clear that, with the exception of low-dose dopamine, there were no randomized controlled trials of sufficient statistical power to detect differences in clin. meaningful outcomes. In the absence of such data, all that is available is based on limited physiol. gains (changes in renal blood flow or urine output) with one or another drug in one or another subpopulation of patients. Furthermore, given the authors' lack of understanding of the pathogenesis of ARF, it is unclear whether hemodynamic manipulation is an appropriate avenue to achieve renal protection. There is a great need for large randomized controlled trials to test the clin., instead of physiol., effects of vasoactive drugs in critical illness.

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AB Acutely decompensated heart failure (ADHF) represents the leading reason for hospital admissions in patients over 65 years of age. Aim of this paper is to analyze new approaches for acute heart failure treatment. Effective new treatments should be found to reduce the length of hospital stay and its correlate costs in CHF symptomatic and asymptomatic patients. According to the Authors' personal experience and new clinical data from controlled clinical trials, it is mandatory to substitute traditional inotropes, in acutely decompensated heart failure, as first option, with the advice to use alternative drugs, at least in patients with the cardio renal syndrome. The Author consider the possibility of treatment of ADHF trying to block mainly compensatory systems and neurohormons.

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AB Chronic heart failure (CHF) is a complex disorder, and all patients with this condition could therefore be considered 'difficult'. Nevertheless, there are certain subgroups in whom management poses greater challenges. These include patients with advanced disease severity, complications arising from CHF, comorbidities, and patients in whom it is difficult to optimize standard therapies. Advanced disease is associated with reduced quality of life, frequent hospitalization and poor survival. Major challenges in advanced CHF include ensuring adequate tolerability of therapy, keeping patients out of hospital and decision making regarding palliation. Complications such as tachyarrhythmias and bradyarrhythmias may also alter management. CHF is a pro-thromboembolic state, but the role of anticoagulation and antiplatelet therapy is unclear. Weight loss is an independent prognostic marker for poor survival in complicated CHF, and therapies directed at reducing weight loss may improve outcome. Comorbid conditions that may affect decision making in the patient with CHF include aetiological contributors (e.g. ischaemic heart disease, hypertension, diabetes mellitus and anaemia) and other comorbid disorders such as respiratory disease, cognitive dysfunction, depression, renal failure and arthritis. In some clinical scenarios, optimal therapy may not easily be achieved. In patients with low systemic blood pressure, vasodilating drugs may be difficult to use. Bradyarrhythmias or bronchial hyperreactivity may limit the use of beta-blockers. Drug therapy may also be difficult to optimize in patients with advanced renal dysfunction. .COPYRG. 2003 The European Society of Cardiology. Published by Elsevier Science Ltd. All rights reserved.

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AB Buccal aerosol sprays or capsules using polar and non-polar solvent have now been developed which provide biol. active compds. for rapid absorption through the oral mucosa, resulting in fast onset of effect. The buccal polar compns. of the invention comprise formulation A: aqueous polar solvent, active compound, and optional flavoring agent; formulation B: aqueous polar solvent, active compound, optionally flavoring agent, and propellant; formulation C: non-polar solvent, active compound, and optional flavoring agent; and formulation D: non-polar solvent, active compound, optional flavoring agent, and propellant. Thus, a polar lingual spray contained

isoproterenol-HCl 0.5-6, water 50-75, EtOH 5-10, PEG 5-15, sorbitol 0.4-1.0, aspartame 0.04-0.1, and flavors 2-3%.

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failure independent of renal function.  
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 AB Gateways to Clinical Trials is a guide to the most recent clinical trials in current literature and congresses. The data in the following tables has been retrieved from the Clinical Studies knowledge area of Prous Science Integrity®, the drug discovery and development portal,

http://integrity.prous.com. This issue focuses on the following selection of drugs: 2F5, 2G12, Abetimus sodium, ABI-007, adalimumab, adefovir dipivoxil, AE-941, alefacept, altropane, aminolevulinic acid hydrochloride, aminolevulinic acid methyl ester, aminopterin, anakinra, aprirocarsen sodium, atazanavir, atlizumab, atoxometrine hydrochloride; B7-1 vaccine, bevacizumab, biricodar dicitrate, BMS-188667, brasofensine sulfate, bryostatins 1; Cantuzumab mertansine, CHS-828, cinacalcet hydrochloride, cipamfylline, creatine, CVT-3146; Darbepoetin alfa, DITPA, drotrecogin alfa (activated), duloxetine hydrochloride; Edatrexate, efalizumab, ENMD-0997, epoetin, erlosamide, esomeprazole magnesium, etiprednol dicloacetate, etoricoxib, everolimus, ezetimibe; Fampridine, fenretinide, FTY-720; IGF-1/IGFBP-3 IL-1 cytokine trap, ilodecakin, interferon beta, ISIS-104838, ISIS-2503, ISIS-5132, ivabradine hydrochloride; Lafutidine, lanthanum carbonate, L-Arginine hydrochloride, LEA29Y, lerdelimumab, levetiracetam, levobupivacaine hydrochloride, levosimendan, lopinavir; Melagatran, mibefradil hydrochloride, miglustat, morphine-6-glucuronide; Nesiritide; Omalizumab, omapatrilat; p24-VLP, parecoxib sodium, peginterferon alfa-2a, peginterferon alfa-2b, pegsunercept, pitavastatin calcium, plevitrexed, prasterone, pregabalin, PRO-2000, prucalopride; Rapacuronium bromide, rebimastat, RGA-0853, rubitecan, ruboxistaurin mesilate hydrate, RWJ-67657; S-16020-2, sarizotan, SLV-306, stiripentol; TA-CIN, teneceptase, teriparatide, tezacitabine, tipifarnib, trabectedin, troglitazone; Valdecocixib, vardenafil; Z-338, ziconotide. .COPYRG. 2003 Prous Science. All rights reserved.

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AB Drug expenditure projections for 2003 and factors likely to influence drug costs are discussed. The United States continues to face the challenge of increased growth in health expenditures, and drug expenditures are



continuing to increase faster than the growth in total health care expenditures. These increases can be largely attributed to an increase in the average age of the U.S. population and technological advancement. On the basis of price inflation and non-price inflationary factors, including increases in volume, shifts in patient and therapeutic intensity, and expected approval of new drugs, a 10-12% increase in drug expenditures in 2003 for the inpatient setting and a 13.5-15.5% increase for ambulatory care settings are forecasted. While few new drugs are expected to greatly influence expenditures in 2003, the continued diffusion of recently approved drugs such as drotrecogin alfa and nesiritide will have a dramatic impact on total drug expenditures and must be carefully considered in the budgeting process. An agent likely to have a significant impact on HIV treatment is enfuvirtide, the first in a new class of antiretrovirals (fusion inhibitors), but its high cost (\$10,000-\$15,000 per year) may limit patients' access to this medication. An expanded user's guide is provided to assist the reader in appropriate application of this information in the drug budgeting process. Technological, demographic, and market-based changes and changes in public policy will continue to influence pharmaceutical expenditures in the coming year. An understanding of the overall drivers of medication expenditures and vigilance in monitoring pharmaceutical innovation are critical in the effective management of these resources.

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AB Heart failure represents almost 5 % of all hospital admissions and both mortality and health care cost on account of those patients are high. The proportion of patients on ICU with heart failure of various origin (mostly as a results either of primary heart damage or as a result of secondary heart damage due to multiple organ failure) has increased rapidly during the last two decades. Heart failure occurs mostly as a result of ischaemic heart disease and the prevalence of heart failure increases in those with both ischaemic heart disease and hypertension. Increased sympathetic activity, renin-angiotensin-aldosterone axis, vasopressin, endothelin and atrial natriuretic peptides play the most important role in developing heart failure. Current definitions, diagnosis and recommended treatment

of heart failure are based on recommendation issued by European Society of Cardiology. Echocardiography together with assessment of atrial natriuretic peptide plasma levels are preferred methods for diagnosis. The current therapeutic approach to heart failure is stratified according to levels of evidence based medicine methodology. The control of underlying cause and optimizing of myocardial oxygen delivery to failing heart without increasing oxygen consumption at the same time represent the cornerstone of therapy in heart failure patients. Diuretics, vasodilators together with inotropic agents (dobutamine, phosphodiesterase inhibitors and recently calcium sensitizers, if necessary), are the most recommended drugs in this setting. ACE inhibitors and beta-blockers are the key agents for long-term pharmacological therapy in chronic heart failure patients. Non-pharmacological modalities are also mentioned.

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 TITLE: Current medical treatment for the exacerbation of chronic heart failure resulting in hospitalization.  
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 CORPORATE SOURCE: Northwestern University, Feinberg School of Medicine, Chicago, Ill 60611, USA.  
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 TITLE: Clinical decision making in managing the 'difficult' patient with chronic heart failure: Who, when, how, where?.  
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AB Chronic heart failure (CHF) is a complex disorder, and all patients with this condition could therefore be considered 'difficult'. Nevertheless, there are certain subgroups in whom management poses greater challenges. These include patients with advanced disease severity, complications arising from CHF, comorbidities, and patients in whom it is difficult to optimize standard therapies. Advanced disease is associated with reduced quality of life, frequent hospitalization and poor survival. Major challenges in advanced CHF include ensuring adequate tolerability of therapy, keeping patients out of hospital and decision making regarding palliation. Complications such as tachyarrhythmias and bradyarrhythmias may also alter management. CHF is a pro-thromboembolic state, but the role of anticoagulation and antiplatelet therapy is unclear. Weight loss is an independent prognostic marker for poor survival in complicated CHF, and therapies directed at reducing weight loss may improve outcome. Comorbid conditions that may affect decision making in the patient with CHF include aetiological contributors (e.g. ischaemic heart disease, hypertension, diabetes mellitus and anaemia) and other comorbid disorders

such as respiratory disease, cognitive dysfunction, depression, renal failure and arthritis. In some clinical scenarios, optimal therapy may not easily be achieved. In patients with low systemic blood pressure, vasodilating drugs may be difficult to use. Bradyarrhythmias or bronchial hyperreactivity may limit the use of beta-blockers. Drug therapy may also be difficult to optimize in patients with advanced renal dysfunction. .COPYRG. 2003 The European Society of Cardiology. Published by Elsevier Science Ltd. All rights reserved.

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 TITLE: New therapeutic options in congestive heart failure  
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 AUTHOR: McMurray, John, Dr. (correspondence); Pfeffer, Marc A.  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Clin. Res. Initiative Heart Failure, University of Glasgow,  
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 TITLE: Present and future pharmacotherapy for heart failure.  
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AB The pharmacotherapy currently recommended by the American College of Cardiology and the American Heart Association for heart failure (HF) is a diuretic, an angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitor (ACEI), a  $\beta$ -adrenoceptor antagonist and (usually) digitalis. This current treatment of HF may be improved by optimising the dose of ACEI used, as increasing the dose of lisinopril increases its benefits in HF. Selective angiotensin receptor-1 (AT(1)) antagonists are effective alternatives for those who cannot tolerate ACEIs. AT(1) antagonists may also be used in combination with ACEIs, as some studies have shown cumulative benefits for

the combination. In addition to being used in Stage IV HF patients, in whom it has a marked benefit, spironolactone should be studied in less severe HF and in the presence of  $\beta$ -blockers. The use of carvedilol, extended-release metoprolol and bisoprolol should be extended to severe HF patients as these agents have been shown to decrease mortality in this group. The ancillary properties of carvedilol, particularly antagonism at prejunctional  $\beta$ -adrenoceptors, may give it additional benefits to selective  $\beta(1)$ -adrenoceptor antagonists. Celiprolol and bucindolol are not the  $\beta$ -blockers of choice in HF, as they do not decrease mortality. Although digitalis does not reduce mortality, it remains the only option for a long-term positive inotropic effect, as the long-term use of the phosphodiesterase inhibitors is associated with increased mortality. The calcium sensitising drug levosimendan may be useful in the hospital treatment of decompensated HF to increase cardiac output and improve dyspnoea and fatigue. The antiarrhythmic drug amiodarone should probably be used in patients at high risk of arrhythmic or sudden death, although this treatment may soon be superseded by the more expensive implanted cardioverter defibrillators, which are probably more effective and have fewer side effects. The natriuretic peptide nesiritide has recently been introduced for the hospital treatment of decompensated HF. Novel drugs that may be beneficial in the treatment of HF include the vasopeptidase inhibitors and the selective endothelin-A receptor antagonists but these require much more investigation. However, disappointing results have been obtained in a large clinical trial of the tumour necrosis factor  $\alpha$  antagonist etanercept, where no likelihood of a difference between placebo and etanercept was observed. Small clinical trials with recombinant growth hormone to thicken ventricles in dilated cardiomyopathy have given variable results.

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TITLE: Effects of levosimendan, a novel inotropic calcium-sensitizing drug, in experimental septic shock  
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AB Levosimendan is a novel inodilator that improves cardiac contractility by sensitizing troponin C to calcium. This drug has proved to be effective in treating advanced congestive heart failure but has not been evaluated in septic settings. The purpose of the present study was to study the effects of this drug in a porcine model of endotoxemia in a prospective exptl. study. All animals (fourteen land-race pigs) were anesthetized and catheterized for measurement of central and pulmonary hemodynamics. Ultrasonic flow probes were placed around the renal artery and portal vein to measure blood flow. A tonometer was placed in the ileum to measure mucosal pH. Levosimendan was given to six animals as a bolus (200  $\mu\text{g}\cdot\text{kg}^{-1}$ ) followed by a continuous infusion (200  $\mu\text{g}\cdot\text{kg}^{-1}\cdot\text{hr}^{-1}$ ). Thirty minutes after onset of levosimendan treatment, all animals received endotoxin (20  $\mu\text{g}\cdot\text{kg}^{-1}\cdot\text{hr}^{-1}$  for 3 h). At baseline, levosimendan induced a systemic vasodilation with a reduction in blood pressure and an increase in heart rate. A tendency to an increase in cardiac index did

not reach statistical significance ( $p = .055$ ). Cardiac index and systemic oxygen delivery were markedly improved in the levosimendan group during endotoxemia. Systemic vascular resistance and blood pressure were reduced in the levosimendan group. The latter parameter, however, was only different from the control group during the initial phase of endotoxin shock but not at the late, most pronounced phase of shock. Levosimendan also efficiently attenuated endotoxin-induced pulmonary hypertension. Portal venous blood flow and gut oxygen delivery were improved, but no concomitant reduction in endotoxin-induced intestinal mucosal acidosis was observed. Renal blood flow was unaffected, as was the endotoxin-induced increase in plasma endothelin-1-like immunoreactivity. These findings support previous reports of calcium desensitization as a potential component in septic myocardial depression. Furthermore, the vasodilatory properties of this drug were well tolerated in the current model of hypodynamic endotoxin shock, and they may have contributed to improved regional blood flow as seen in the gut as well as improved systemic perfusion by means of reduced biventricular afterload. Pretreatment with levosimendan in pigs subjected to endotoxin shock improved cardiac output and systemic and gut oxygen delivery. In addition, pulmonary hypertension largely was attenuated without any adverse effects on gas exchange. These results are promising in several aspects, but the role of levosimendan in the treating circulatory failure in sepsis remains to be established.

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 TITLE: Parenteral inotropic support for advanced congestive heart failure.  
 AUTHOR: Leier C V; Binkley P F  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Division of Cardiology, The Ohio State University, College of Medicine and Public Health, Columbus, OH 43210, USA.  
 SOURCE: Progress in cardiovascular diseases, (1998 Nov-Dec) Vol. 41, No. 3, pp. 207-24. Ref: 111  
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AB Parenterally administered positive inotropic agents remain an important component of the therapeutics of cardiac dysfunction and failure . Dobutamine, a catechol, remains the prototype of this drug group, but recently has been joined by the phosphodiesterase III inhibitor, milrinone. Compared with dobutamine, milrinone has greater vasodilating-unloading properties. The catecholamine, dopamine, is often used as a parenteral positive inotrope; but at moderate to high dose, it evokes considerable systemic vasoconstriction. At lower doses, dopamine appears to augment renal function. Levosimendan and toborinone, new compounds with several mechanisms of action, are under active clinical investigation and review for approval. Parenteral positive inotropic therapy is indicated for short-term (hours to days) treatment of cardiovascular decompensation secondary to ventricular systolic dysfunction, low-output heart failure. More prolonged or continuous infusion of one of these agents may be necessary as a "pharmacologic bridge" to cardiac transplantation, another definitive

intervention, or more advanced, intense medical therapy. An occasional patient will require a continuous infusion via indwelling venous catheter and portable pump, simply to be able to be discharged from the hospital setting and function in the home environment. Intermittent parenteral inotropic therapy for chronic heart failure has provoked considerable controversy and passion among cardiologists and heart failure specialists; an attempt is made to present this topic in an objective manner.

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TITLE: Pharmacology of levosimendan: A new myofilament calcium sensitizer.  
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AB Levosimendan, a new myofilament Ca(2+) sensitizer, enhances myocardial contractility by selectively stabilizing the Ca(2+) bound conformation of cTnC in a Ca(2+)-dependent manner. In contrast to other myofilament Ca(2+) sensitizers, levosimendan does not alter Ca(2+) affinity of cTnC or myosin ATPase activity. Levosimendan-induced inhibition of PDE III may contribute to the positive inotropic actions of this drug at higher concentrations. Myofilament Ca(2+) sensitization and stabilization of the Ca(2+)-bound conformation of cTnC may theoretically delay relaxation. Levosimendan, however, has been demonstrated to enhance relaxation of cardiac muscle. In addition to positive inotropic effects, levosimendan causes venous and arterial vasodilation and improves indices of diastolic performance in the presence of normal left ventricular function. In experimental models of and in patients with left ventricular dysfunction, levosimendan causes beneficial reductions in left ventricular preload and afterload and augments contractility and diastolic function without producing reflex increases in heart rate and myocardial oxygen consumption.

Levosimendan potentiates the positive inotropic effects of dopamine, enhances left ventricular-arterial coupling and mechanical efficiency, and improves the contractile function of stunned myocardium. Levosimendan has a high margin of safety in experimental animals. The toxicity of levosimendan in experimental animals is associated with exacerbation of the pharmacological effects. High doses of levosimendan may adversely affect the establishment and maintenance of pregnancy. Levosimendan does not produce mutagenic effects during organogenesis. Levosimendan is rapidly absorbed from the gastrointestinal tract and has high bioavailability. The elimination half-life of levosimendan is approximately 1 h in patients with heart failure and is not altered in the presence of renal insufficiency. Levosimendan is metabolized by hepatic glutathione conjugation or reduction by intestinal bacteria and is excreted in the urine and feces. High doses of levosimendan may cause headaches and dizziness in healthy volunteers, and to a lesser extent, in patients with congestive heart failure via peripheral vasodilation. The incidence of other adverse drug effects, including hypotension, tachycardia, and palpitations, is low. The clinical utility and safety of levosimendan in patients with congestive heart failure require further investigation.

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AUTHOR(S): Sandell, E. P.; Antila, S.; Koisininen, H.; Pentikainen, P.  
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CORPORATE SOURCE: Orion Famos, Cardiovascular Projects, Orionintie 1,  
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SOURCE: Therapie (Paris), (1995) Vol. 0, No. SUPPL., pp.  
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 INVENTOR(S): Lopaschuk, Gary D.; Collins-Nakai, Ruth  
 PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): University of Alberta, Can.  
 SOURCE: U.S. Pat. Appl. Publ., 36 pp., Cont.-in-part of U.S. Ser. No. 13,666.  
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AB The invention provides methods for maintaining or improving cardiac function after a cardiac function disturbing event by the use of cardioprotective dichloroacetate (DCA) and a inotropic drug. The invention also provides pharmaceutical compns. comprising the combination of DCA and inotropic drug, pharmaceutically acceptable carriers and optional other therapeutic agents. Also provided are the dosage protocols for the DCA and inotropic drug combination.

**TITLE:** Levosimendan in daily intensive care practice--the experience of 15 centers. Background, methods and organization of the PORTLAND study.

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**AB INTRODUCTION:** The LIDO and RUSSLAN trials showed that levosimendan was well tolerated and had a stronger hemodynamic effect than dobutamine and a positive impact on prognosis. There are, however, few data regarding its effectiveness and safety when used in an everyday clinical setting. **OBJECTIVE:** To test the hypothesis that in day-to-day practice conditions levosimendan is both effective and safe for the treatment of decompensated heart failure (HF). This primary combined endpoint of effectiveness and safety was evaluated at 24 hours and 5 days after the beginning of the treatment. **DESIGN:** Prospective, multicenter, nonrandomized clinical trial with evaluations at baseline, 24 hours, 5 days, and 3 and 6 months. Follow-up for 6 months. **SETTING:** The intensive care units of 15 cardiology or internal medicine departments. **PATIENTS:** 129 consecutive patients requiring inotropes due to decompensated systolic HF despite maximally tolerated oral therapy. **Intervention:** 24-hour infusion of levosimendan via a central or peripheral vein. **MEASUREMENTS AND EVALUATION OF RESULTS:** 1. Monitoring: Continuous ECG monitoring, non-invasive blood pressure, urinary output, oximetry. Invasive monitoring was not required. 2. Follow-up. Baseline evaluation: history, physical examination, ECG, 2D echocardiogram, hemogram, ionogram, liver and kidney function. 24-hour and 5-day evaluations: symptoms, physical examination, recording of medical therapy and previous 24-hour urinary output, ECG, hemogram, ionogram, liver and kidney function, and evaluation of arrhythmic episodes and heart rate and blood pressure trends in previous 24 hours. 3- and 6-month evaluations: number of hospital admissions and length of hospital stay due to HF, and mortality. 3. Evaluation of primary endpoint. **EFFECTIVENESS:** assessed by a clinical score including 2 subjective parameters (1. NYHA functional class, 2. patient self-evaluation symptom class) and 6 objective parameters (3. body weight, 4. pulmonary congestion, 5. previous 24-hour diuresis, 6. serum creatinine, 7. oral HF medication, 8. intravenous HF medication). Definition of clinical effectiveness: improvement in > or = 1 subjective parameters plus improvement in > or = 1 objective parameters, with all other parameters unchanged. **Safety:** The therapy was judged safe in the absence of any serious adverse event with a probable or undetermined causal relationship with levosimendan. Primary endpoint evaluation: Patients reached the primary endpoint when levosimendan was both effective and safe according to the above definitions.

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TITLE: Vasoactive drugs and the kidney

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AB A review. Protection of renal function and prevention of acute renal failure (ARF) are important goals of resuscitation in critically ill patients. Beyond fluid resuscitation and avoidance of nephrotoxins, little is known about how such prevention can be achieved. Vasoactive drugs are often administered to improve either cardiac output or mean arterial pressure in the hope that renal blood flow will also be improved and, thereby, renal protection achieved. Some of these drugs (especially low-dose dopamine) have even been proposed to have a specific beneficial effect on renal blood flow. However, when all studies dealing with vasoactive drugs and their effects on the kidney are reviewed, it is clear that none were demonstrated to achieve clinically important benefits in terms of renal protection. It is also clear that, with the exception of low-dose dopamine, there were no randomized controlled trials of sufficient statistical power to detect differences in clinically meaningful outcomes. In the absence of such data, all that is available is based on limited physiological gains (changes in renal blood flow or urine output) with one or another drug in one or another subpopulation of patients. Furthermore, given the authors' lack of understanding of the pathogenesis of ARF, it is unclear whether hemodynamic manipulation is an appropriate avenue to achieve renal protection. There is a great need for large randomized controlled trials to test the clinical, instead of physiological, effects of vasoactive drugs in critical illness.

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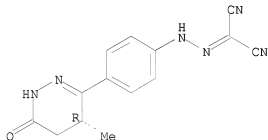
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TITLE: Effects of levosimendan, a novel inotropic calcium-sensitizing drug, in experimental septic shock  
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AB Levosimendan is a novel inodilator that improves cardiac contractility by sensitizing troponin C to calcium. This drug has proved to be effective in treating advanced congestive heart failure but has not been evaluated in septic settings. The purpose of the present study was to study the effects of this drug in a porcine model of endotoxemia in a prospective exptl. study. All animals (fourteen land-race pigs) were anesthetized and catheterized for measurement of central and pulmonary hemodynamics. Ultrasonic flow probes were placed around the renal artery and portal vein to measure blood flow. A tonometer was placed in the ileum to measure mucosal pH. Levosimendan was given to six animals as a bolus (200 µg·kg<sup>-1</sup>) followed by a continuous infusion (200 µg·kg<sup>-1</sup>·hr<sup>-1</sup>). Thirty minutes after onset of levosimendan treatment, all animals received endotoxin (20 µg·kg<sup>-1</sup>·hr<sup>-1</sup> for 3 h). At baseline, levosimendan induced a systemic vasodilation with a reduction in blood pressure and an increase in heart rate. A tendency to an increase in cardiac index did not reach statistical significance (p = .055). Cardiac index and systemic oxygen delivery were markedly improved in the levosimendan group during endotoxemia. Systemic vascular resistance and blood pressure were reduced in the levosimendan group. The latter parameter, however, was only different from the control group during the initial



phase of endotoxin shock but not at the late, most pronounced phase of shock. Levosimendan also efficiently attenuated endotoxin-induced pulmonary hypertension. Portal venous blood flow and gut oxygen delivery were improved, but no concomitant reduction in endotoxin-induced intestinal mucosal acidosis was observed. Renal blood flow was unaffected, as was the endotoxin-induced increase in plasma endothelin-1-like immunoreactivity. These findings support previous reports of calcium desensitization as a potential component in septic myocardial depression. Furthermore, the vasodilatory properties of this drug were well tolerated in the current model of hypodynamic endotoxin shock, and they may have contributed to improved regional blood flow as seen in the gut as well as improved systemic perfusion by means of reduced biventricular afterload. Pretreatment with levosimendan in pigs subjected to endotoxin shock improved cardiac output and systemic and gut oxygen delivery. In addition, pulmonary hypertension largely was attenuated without any adverse effects on gas exchange. These results are promising in several aspects, but the role of levosimendan in the treating circulatory failure in sepsis remains to be established.

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TITLE: Influence of levosimendan, pimobendan, and milrinone on the regional distribution of cardiac output in anesthetized dogs

AUTHOR(S): Pagel, Paul S.; Hettrick, Douglas A.; Warltier, David C.

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AB The distribution of cardiac output during administration of levosimendan, a new myofilament calcium sensitizer, is unknown. The authors examined and compared the effects of levosimendan, pimobendan, and milrinone on regional tissue perfusion by use of the radioactive microsphere technique in barbiturate-anesthetized dogs. Hemodynamics and regional blood flow were determined before and during infusions of levosimendan (0.75, 1.5, and 3.0  $\mu\text{g kg}^{-1} \text{ min}^{-1}$ ), pimobendan (10, 20, and 40  $\mu\text{g kg}^{-1} \text{ min}^{-1}$ ), or milrinone (1.0, 2.0, and 4.0  $\mu\text{g kg}^{-1} \text{ min}^{-1}$ ). All three drugs caused similar increases in heart rate, cardiac output, and left ventricular  $+dP/dt$  and decreases in end-diastolic pressure and systemic vascular resistance. No changes in subendocardial, midmyocardial, and subepicardial blood flow occurred during administration of levosimendan. However, a redistribution of blood flow from subendocardium to subepicardium was observed. Pimobendan increased midmyocardial and subepicardial blood flow and reduced the endo/epi ratio to a greater degree than levosimendan. Milrinone did not affect myocardial perfusion. Levosimendan increased blood flow to the renal medulla and decreased renal medullary and cortical vascular resistance. Levosimendan increased blood flow to the small intestine and liver and reduced vascular resistance in these organs. Pimobendan increased hepatic blood flow to a greater degree than levosimendan but did

not alter small intestinal perfusion. All three drugs decreased splenic blood flow to similar degrees. Levosimendan and pimobendan reduced cerebral vascular resistance. Levosimendan and milrinone reduced skeletal muscle vascular resistance. The results indicate that levosimendan, pimobendan, and milrinone cause subtly different alterations in regional tissue perfusion while producing similar hemodynamics effects.

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 AUTHOR(S): Packer, M. [Reprint Author]; Colucci, W. S.; Fisher, L.;  
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AB Chronic heart failure (CHF) is a complex disorder, and all patients with this condition could therefore be considered 'difficult'. Nevertheless, there are certain subgroups in whom management poses greater challenges. These include patients with advanced disease severity, complications arising from CHF, comorbidities, and patients in whom it is difficult to optimize standard therapies. Advanced disease is associated with reduced quality of life, frequent hospitalization and poor survival. Major challenges in advanced CHF include ensuring adequate tolerability of therapy, keeping patients out of hospital and decision making regarding palliation. Complications such as tachyarrhythmias and bradyarrhythmias may also alter management. CHF is a pro-thromboembolic state, but the role of anticoagulation and antiplatelet therapy is unclear. Weight loss is an independent prognostic marker for poor survival in complicated CHF, and therapies directed at reducing weight loss may improve outcome. Comorbid conditions that may affect decision making in the patient with CHF include aetiological contributors (e.g. ischaemic heart disease, hypertension, diabetes mellitus and anaemia) and other comorbid disorders such as respiratory disease, cognitive dysfunction, depression, renal failure and arthritis. In some clinical scenarios, optimal therapy may not easily be achieved. In patients with low systemic blood pressure, vasodilating drugs may be difficult to use. Bradyarrhythmias or bronchial hyperreactivity may limit the use of beta-blockers. Drug therapy may also be difficult to optimize in patients with advanced renal dysfunction. .COPYRG. 2003 The European Society of Cardiology. Published by Elsevier Science Ltd. All rights reserved.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2003158036 EMBASE  
 TITLE: [Cardiac failure in intensive care].  
 Srdecni selhani v intenzivni peci.

AUTHOR: Parizkova, R., Dr. (correspondence)  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Univerzita Karlova v Praze, Lekarska Fakulta v Hradci Kralove, Fakultni Nemocnice Hradec Kralove, 500 05 Hradec Kralove, Czech Republic.

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 CORPORATE SOURCE: Klin. Anesteziol. Resuscitace/I. M., Fakultni Nemocnice, 500 05 Hradec Kralove, Czech Republic.

SOURCE: Anesteziology a Neodkladna Pece, (2003) Vol. 14, No. 2, pp. 103-110.  
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AB Heart failure represents almost 5 % of all hospital admissions and both mortality and health care cost on account of those patients are high. The proportion of patients on ICU with heart failure of various origin (mostly as a results either of primary heart damage or as a result of secondary heart damage due to multiple organ failure) has increased rapidly during the last two decades. Heart failure occurs mostly as a result of ischaemic heart disease and the prevalence of heart failure increases in those with both ischaemic heart disease and hypertension. Increased sympathetic activity, renin-angiotensin-aldosterone axis, vasopressin, endothelin and atrial natriuretic peptides play the most important role in developing heart failure. Current definitions, diagnosis and recommended treatment of heart failure are based on recommendation issued by European Society of Cardiology. Echocardiography together with assessment of atrial natriuretic peptide plasma levels are preferred methods for diagnosis. The current therapeutic approach to heart failure is stratified according to levels of evidence based medicine methodology. The control of underlying cause and optimizing of myocardial oxygen delivery to failing heart without increasing oxygen consumption at the same time represent the cornerstone of therapy in heart failure patients. Diuretics, vasodilators together with inotropic agents (dobutamine, phosphodiesterase inhibitors and recently calcium sensitizers, if necessary), are the most recommended drugs in this setting. ACE inhibitors and beta-blockers are the key agents for long-term pharmacological therapy in chronic heart failure patients. Non-pharmacological modalities are also mentioned.

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TITLE: Projecting future drug expenditures - 2003.

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SOURCE: American Journal of Health-System Pharmacy, (15 Jan 2003) Vol. 60, No. 2, pp. 137-149.

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AB Drug expenditure projections for 2003 and factors likely to influence drug costs are discussed. The United States continues to face the challenge of increased growth in health expenditures, and drug expenditures are continuing to increase faster than the growth in total health care expenditures. These increases can be largely attributed to an increase in the average age of the U.S. population and technological advancement. On the basis of price inflation and non-price inflationary factors, including increases in volume, shifts in patient and therapeutic intensity, and expected approval of new drugs, a 10-12% increase in drug expenditures in 2003 for the inpatient setting and a 13.5-15.5% increase for ambulatory care settings are forecasted. While few new drugs are expected to greatly influence expenditures in 2003, the continued diffusion of recently approved drugs such as drotrecogin alfa and nesiritide will have a dramatic impact on total drug expenditures and must be carefully considered in the budgeting process. An agent likely to have a significant impact on HIV treatment is enfuvirtide, the first in a new class of antiretrovirals (fusion inhibitors), but its high cost (\$10,000-\$15,000 per year) may limit patients' access to this medication. An expanded user's guide is provided to assist the reader in appropriate application of this information in the drug budgeting process. Technological, demographic, and market-based changes and changes in public policy will continue to influence pharmaceutical expenditures in the coming year. An understanding of the overall drivers of medication expenditures and vigilance in monitoring pharmaceutical innovation are critical in the effective management of these resources.

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SOURCE: Methods and Findings in Experimental and Clinical Pharmacology, (Mar 2003) Vol. 25, No. 2, pp. 145-168.  
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 SOURCE: Critical Care, (Feb 2003) Vol. 7, No. 1, pp. 91-94.  
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 TITLE: Present and future pharmacotherapy for heart failure.  
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AB The pharmacotherapy currently recommended by the American College of Cardiology and the American Heart Association for heart failure (HF) is a diuretic, an angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitor (ACEI), a  $\beta$ -adrenoceptor antagonist and (usually) digitalis. This current treatment of HF may be improved by optimising the dose of ACEI used, as increasing the dose of lisinopril increases its benefits in HF. Selective angiotensin receptor-1 (AT1) antagonists are effective alternatives for those who cannot tolerate ACEIs. AT1 antagonists may also be used in combination with ACEIs, as some studies have shown cumulative benefits for the combination. In addition to being used in Stage IV HF patients, in whom it has a marked benefit, spironolactone should be studied in less severe HF and in the presence of  $\beta$ -blockers. The use of carvedilol, extended-release metoprolol and bisoprolol should be extended to severe HF patients as these agents have been shown to decrease mortality in this group. The ancillary properties of carvedilol, particularly antagonism at prejunctional  $\beta$ -adrenoceptors, may give it additional benefits to selective  $\beta$ 1-adrenoceptor antagonists. Celiprolol and bucindolol are not the  $\beta$ -blockers of choice in HF, as they do not decrease mortality. Although digitalis does not reduce mortality, it remains the only option for a long-term positive inotropic effect, as the long-term use of the phosphodiesterase inhibitors is associated with increased mortality. The calcium sensitising drug levosimendan may be useful in the hospital treatment of decompensated HF to increase cardiac output and improve dyspnoea and fatigue. The antiarrhythmic drug amiodarone should probably be used in patients at high risk of arrhythmic or sudden death, although this treatment may soon be superseded by the more expensive implanted cardioverter defibrillators, which are probably more effective and have fewer side effects. The natriuretic peptide nesiritide has recently been introduced for the hospital treatment of decompensated HF. Novel drugs that may be beneficial in the treatment of HF include the vasopeptidase inhibitors and the selective endothelin-A receptor antagonists but these require much more investigation. However, disappointing results have been obtained in a large clinical trial of the tumour necrosis factor  $\alpha$  antagonist etanercept, where no likelihood of a difference between placebo and etanercept was observed. Small clinical trials with recombinant growth hormone to thicken ventricles in dilated cardiomyopathy have given variable results.

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TITLE: New therapeutic options in congestive heart failure: Part I.

AUTHOR: McMurray, John, Dr. (correspondence); Pfeffer, Marc A.

CORPORATE SOURCE: Clin. Res. Initiative Heart Failure, University of Glasgow, Wolfson Building, Glasgow G12 8QQ, United Kingdom.

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AUTHOR: Papp, Julian Gy  
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AB Levosimendan, a new myofilament Ca<sup>2+</sup> sensitizer, enhances myocardial contractility by selectively stabilizing the Ca<sup>2+</sup> bound conformation of cTnC in a Ca<sup>2+</sup>-dependent manner. In contrast to other myofilament Ca<sup>2+</sup> sensitizers, levosimendan does not alter Ca<sup>2+</sup> affinity of cTnC or myosin ATPase activity. Levosimendan-induced inhibition of PDE III may contribute to the positive inotropic actions of this drug at higher concentrations. Myofilament Ca<sup>2+</sup> sensitization and stabilization of the Ca<sup>2+</sup>-bound conformation of cTnC may theoretically delay relaxation. Levosimendan, however, has been demonstrated to enhance relaxation of cardiac muscle. In addition to positive inotropic effects, levosimendan causes venous and arterial vasodilation and improves indices of diastolic performance in the presence of normal left ventricular function. In experimental models of and in patients with left ventricular dysfunction, levosimendan causes beneficial reductions in left ventricular preload and afterload and augments contractility and diastolic function without producing reflex increases in heart rate and myocardial oxygen consumption. Levosimendan potentiates the positive inotropic effects of dopamine, enhances left ventricular-arterial coupling and mechanical efficiency, and improves the contractile function of stunned myocardium. Levosimendan has a high margin of safety in experimental animals. The toxicity of levosimendan in experimental animals is associated with exacerbation of the pharmacological effects. High doses

of levosimendan may adversely affect the establishment and maintenance of pregnancy. Levosimendan does not produce mutagenic effects during organogenesis. Levosimendan is rapidly absorbed from the gastrointestinal tract and has high bioavailability. The elimination half-life of levosimendan is approximately 1 h in patients with heart failure and is not altered in the presence of renal insufficiency. Levosimendan is metabolized by hepatic glutathione conjugation or reduction by intestinal bacteria and is excreted in the urine and feces. High doses of levosimendan may cause headaches and dizziness in healthy volunteers, and to a lesser extent, in patients with congestive heart failure via peripheral vasodilation. The incidence of other adverse drug effects, including hypotension, tachycardia, and palpitations, is low. The clinical utility and safety of levosimendan in patients with congestive heart failure require further investigation.

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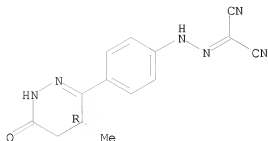
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TITLE: Effects of levosimendan, a novel inotropic  
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AB Levosimendan is a novel inodilator that improves cardiac contractility by sensitizing troponin C to calcium. This drug has proved to be effective in treating advanced congestive heart failure but has not been evaluated in septic settings. The purpose of the present study was to study the effects of this drug in a porcine model of endotoxemia in a prospective exptl. study. All animals (fourteen land-race pigs) were anesthetized and catheterized for measurement of central and pulmonary hemodynamics. Ultrasonic flow probes were placed around the renal artery and portal vein to measure blood flow. A tonometer was placed in the ileum to measure mucosal pH. Levosimendan was given to six animals as a bolus (200 µg·kg<sup>-1</sup>) followed by a continuous infusion (200 µg·kg<sup>-1</sup>·hr<sup>-1</sup>). Thirty minutes after onset of levosimendan treatment, all animals received endotoxin (20 µg·kg<sup>-1</sup>·hr<sup>-1</sup> for 3 h). At baseline, levosimendan induced a systemic vasodilation with a reduction in blood pressure and an increase in heart rate. A tendency to an increase in cardiac index did not reach statistical significance (p = .055). Cardiac index and systemic oxygen delivery were markedly improved in the levosimendan group during endotoxemia. Systemic vascular resistance and blood pressure were reduced in the levosimendan group. The latter parameter, however, was only different from the control group during the initial phase of endotoxin shock but not at the late, most pronounced phase of shock. Levosimendan also efficiently attenuated endotoxin-induced pulmonary hypertension. Portal venous blood flow and gut oxygen delivery were improved, but no concomitant reduction in endotoxin-induced intestinal mucosal acidosis was observed. Renal blood flow was unaffected, as was the endotoxin-induced increase in plasma endothelin-1-like immunoreactivity. These findings support previous reports of calcium desensitization as a potential component in septic myocardial depression. Furthermore, the vasodilatory properties of this drug were well tolerated in the current model of hypodynamic endotoxin shock, and they may have contributed to improved regional blood flow as seen in the gut as well as improved systemic perfusion by means of reduced biventricular afterload. Pretreatment with levosimendan in pigs subjected to endotoxin shock improved cardiac output and systemic and gut oxygen delivery. In addition, pulmonary hypertension largely was attenuated without any adverse effects on gas exchange. These results are promising in several aspects, but the role of levosimendan in the treating circulatory failure in sepsis remains to be established.

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AB The distribution of cardiac output during administration of levosimendan, a new myofilament calcium sensitizer, is unknown. The authors examined and compared the effects of levosimendan, pimobendan, and milrinone on regional tissue perfusion by use of the radioactive microsphere technique in barbiturate-anesthetized dogs. Hemodynamics and regional blood flow were determined before and during infusions of levosimendan (0.75, 1.5, and 3.0  $\mu\text{g kg}^{-1} \text{ min}^{-1}$ ), pimobendan (10, 20, and 40  $\mu\text{g kg}^{-1} \text{ min}^{-1}$ ), or milrinone (1.0, 2.0, and 4.0  $\mu\text{g kg}^{-1} \text{ min}^{-1}$ ). All three drugs caused similar increases in heart rate, cardiac output, and left ventricular + dP/dt and decreases in end-diastolic pressure and systemic vascular resistance. No changes in subendocardial, midmyocardial, and subepicardial blood flow occurred during administration of levosimendan. However, a redistribution of blood flow from subendocardium to subepicardium was observed. Pimobendan increased midmyocardial and subepicardial blood flow and reduced the endo/epi ratio to a greater degree than levosimendan. Milrinone did not affect myocardial perfusion. Levosimendan increased blood flow to the renal medulla and decreased renal medullary and cortical vascular resistance. Levosimendan increased blood flow to the small intestine and liver and reduced vascular resistance in these organs. Pimobendan increased hepatic blood flow to a greater degree than levosimendan but did not alter small intestinal perfusion. All three drugs decreased splenic blood flow to similar degrees. Levosimendan and pimobendan reduced cerebral vascular resistance. Levosimendan and milrinone reduced skeletal muscle vascular resistance. The results indicate that levosimendan, pimobendan, and milrinone cause subtly different alterations in regional tissue perfusion while producing similar hemodynamic effects.  
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DOCUMENT NUMBER: PubMed ID: 9872607  
TITLE: Parenteral inotropic support for advanced congestive heart failure.  
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AB Parenterally administered positive inotropic agents remain an important

component of the therapeutics of cardiac dysfunction and failure. Dobutamine, a catechol, remains the prototype of this drug group, but recently has been joined by the phosphodiesterase III inhibitor, milrinone. Compared with dobutamine, milrinone has greater vasodilating-unloading properties. The catecholamine, dopamine, is often used as a parenteral positive inotrope; but at moderate to high dose, it evokes considerable systemic vasoconstriction. At lower doses, dopamine appears to augment renal function. Levosimendan and toborinone, new compounds with several mechanisms of action, are under active clinical investigation and review for approval. Parenteral positive inotropic therapy is indicated for short-term (hours to days) treatment of cardiovascular decompensation secondary to ventricular systolic dysfunction, low-output heart failure. More prolonged or continuous infusion of one of these agents may be necessary as a "pharmacologic bridge" to cardiac transplantation, another definitive intervention, or more advanced, intense medical therapy. An occasional patient will require a continuous infusion via indwelling venous catheter and portable pump, simply to be able to be discharged from the hospital setting and function in the home environment. Intermittent parenteral inotropic therapy for chronic heart failure has provoked considerable controversy and passion among cardiologists and heart failure specialists; an attempt is made to present this topic in an objective manner.

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failure: Results with levosimendan in the  
REVIVE-1 Study.  
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 patient with chronic heart failure: Who, when, how, where?.  
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AB Chronic heart failure (CHF) is a complex disorder, and all patients with this condition could therefore be considered 'difficult'. Nevertheless, there are certain subgroups in whom management poses greater challenges. These include patients with advanced disease severity, complications arising from CHF, comorbidities, and patients in whom it is difficult to optimize standard therapies. Advanced disease is associated with reduced quality of life, frequent hospitalization and poor survival. Major challenges in advanced CHF include ensuring adequate tolerability of therapy, keeping patients out of hospital and decision making regarding palliation. Complications such as tachyarrhythmias and bradyarrhythmias may also alter management. CHF is a pro-thromboembolic state, but the role of anticoagulation and antiplatelet therapy is unclear. Weight loss is an independent prognostic marker for poor survival in complicated CHF, and therapies directed at reducing weight loss may improve outcome. Comorbid conditions that may affect decision making in the patient with CHF include aetiological contributors (e.g. ischaemic heart disease, hypertension, diabetes mellitus and anaemia) and other comorbid disorders such as respiratory disease, cognitive dysfunction, depression, renal failure and arthritis. In some clinical scenarios, optimal therapy may not easily be achieved. In patients with low systemic blood pressure, vasodilating drugs may be difficult to use. Bradyarrhythmias or bronchial hyperreactivity may limit the use of beta-blockers. Drug therapy may also be difficult to optimize in patients with advanced renal dysfunction. .COPYRG. 2003 The European Society of Cardiology. Published by Elsevier Science Ltd. All rights reserved.

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AB Gateways to Clinical Trials is a guide to the most recent clinical trials in current literature and congresses. The data in the following tables has been retrieved from the Clinical Studies knowledge area of Prous Science Integrity®, the drug discovery and development portal, <http://integrity.prous.com>. This issue focuses on the following selection of drugs: 2F5, 2G12, Abetimus sodium, ABI-007, adalimumab, adefovir dipivoxil, AE-941, alefacept, altropane, aminolevulinic acid hydrochloride, aminolevulinic acid methyl ester, aminopterin, anakinra, aprinocarsen sodium, atazanavir, atlizumab, atomoxetine hydrochloride; B7-1 vaccine, bevacizumab, biricodar dicitrate, BMS-188667, brasofensine sulfate, bryostatins 1; Cantuzumab mertansine, CHS-828, cinacalcet hydrochloride, cipamfylline, creatine, CVT-3146; Darbepoetin alfa, DITPA, drotrecogin alfa (activated), duloxetine hydrochloride; Edatrextate, efalizumab, ENMD-0997, epoetin, erlosamide, esomeprazole magnesium, etiprednol dicloacetate, etoricoxib, everolimus, ezetimibe; Fampridine, fenretinide, FTY-720; IGF-1/IGFBP-3 IL-1 cytokine trap, ilodecakin, interferon beta, ISIS-104838, ISIS-2503, ISIS-5132, ivabradine hydrochloride; Lafutidine, lanthanum carbonate, L-Arginine hydrochloride, LEA29Y, lerdelimumab, levetiracetam, levobupivacaine hydrochloride,

levosimendan, lopinavir; Melagatran, mibefradil hydrochloride, miglustat, morphine-6-glucuronide; Nesiritide; Omalizumab, omapatrilat; p24-VLP, parecoxib sodium, peginterferon alfa-2a, peginterferon alfa-2b, pegsunercept, pitavastatin calcium, plevitrexed, prasterone, pregabalin, PRO-2000, prucalopride; Rapacuronium bromide, rebimastat, RGA-0853, rubitecan, ruboxistaurin mesilate hydrate, RWJ-67657; S-16020-2, sarizotan, SLV-306, stiripentol; TA-CIN, tenecteplase, teriparatide, tezacitabine, tipifarnib, trabectedin, troglitazone; Valdecoxib, vardenafil; Z-338, ziconotide. .COPYRGT. 2003 Prous Science. All rights reserved.

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AB Heart failure represents almost 5 % of all hospital admissions and both mortality and health care cost on account of those patients are high. The proportion of patients on ICU with heart failure of various origin (mostly as a results either of primary heart damage or as a result of secondary heart damage due to multiple organ failure) has increased rapidly during the last two decades. Heart failure occurs mostly as a result of ischaemic heart disease and the prevalence of heart failure increases in those with both ischaemic heart disease and hypertension. Increased sympathetic activity, renin-angiotensin-aldosterone axis, vasopressin, endothelin and atrial natriuretic peptides play the most important role in developing heart failure. Current definitions, diagnosis and recommended treatment of heart failure are based on recommendation issued by European Society of Cardiology. Echocardiography together with assessment of atrial natriuretic peptide plasma levels are preferred methods for diagnosis. The current therapeutic approach to heart failure is stratified according to levels of evidence based medicine methodology. The control of underlying cause and optimizing of myocardial oxygen delivery to failing heart without increasing oxygen consumption at the same time represent the cornerstone of therapy in heart failure patients. Diuretics, vasodilators together with inotropic agents (dobutamine, phosphodiesterase inhibitors and recently calcium sensitizers, if necessary), are the most recommended drugs in this setting. ACE inhibitors and beta-blockers are the key agents for long-term pharmacological therapy in chronic heart failure patients.

Non-pharmacological modalities are also mentioned.

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AB Drug expenditure projections for 2003 and factors likely to influence drug costs are discussed. The United States continues to face the challenge of increased growth in health expenditures, and drug expenditures are continuing to increase faster than the growth in total health care expenditures. These increases can be largely attributed to an increase in the average age of the U.S. population and technological advancement. On the basis of price inflation and non-price inflationary factors, including increases in volume, shifts in patient and therapeutic intensity, and expected approval of new drugs, a 10-12% increase in drug expenditures in 2003 for the inpatient setting and a 13.5-15.5% increase for ambulatory care settings are forecasted. While few new drugs are expected to greatly influence expenditures in 2003, the continued diffusion of recently approved drugs such as drotrecogin alfa and nesiritide will have a dramatic impact on total drug expenditures and must be carefully considered in the budgeting process. An agent likely to have a significant impact on HIV treatment is enfuvirtide, the first in a new class of antiretrovirals (fusion inhibitors), but its high cost (\$10,000-\$15,000 per year) may limit patients' access to this medication. An expanded user's guide is provided to assist the reader in appropriate application of this information in the drug budgeting process. Technological, demographic, and market-based changes and changes in public policy will continue to influence pharmaceutical expenditures in the coming year. An understanding of the overall drivers of medication expenditures and vigilance in monitoring pharmaceutical innovation are critical in the effective management of these resources.

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CORPORATE SOURCE: Clin. Res. Initiative Heart Failure, University of Glasgow,  
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